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HEAD SLIDER AND DISK DRIVE  
APPARATUS USING THE SAME

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Sir:

The deposit account 23-0975 of the undersigned was incorrectly charged \$280.00 on December 12, 2001 for the presence of multiple dependent claims.

However, the above-identified application was filed on December 6, 2001 together with a Preliminary Amendment to eliminate the multiple dependencies of the claims. A copy of the Preliminary Amendment including the Version With Markings to Show Changes Made, is enclosed, together with a copy of a date-stamped postal receipt card showing that the PTO in fact received the Preliminary Amendment on December 6, 2001.

Accordingly, the Preliminary Amendment was effective to cancel the multiple dependancies of the claims. Therefore, there should have been no charge for the presence of multiple dependent claims. It is thus respectfully requested that the deposit account 23-0975 be credited in the amount of \$280.00.

Respectfully submitted,

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Receipt of the following papers is acknowledged:

1. Utility Patent Application Transmittal (37 CFR 1.53(b))
2. Patent Office Fee Transmittal Form [in duplicate]
3. Specification comprising 38 pages, including claims and abstract
4. 12 sheets drawings (A4P, Figs. 1A-12B)
5. unexecuted Declaration and Power of Attorney with Cover Letter
6. Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449, and four references
7. Preliminary Amendment to Reduce PTO Filing Fee
8. Claim of Priority Under 35 USC 119, and certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-372632
9. Check in the amount of \$824.00

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